GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Sri D. Peddi Raju, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam Mandal, Visakhapatnam District and (3) others - AP Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991- Article of charges issued – Explanation submitted – E.O. appointed – Enquiry officer's report received – Disciplinary action finalized - Further action dropped – Orders issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 413 **Dated: 24-04-2017**

Read the following;

1. From the Dist. Collector, Visakhapatnam, Lr.Rc.No.2185/2014/A1, Dt. 25.12.2014.
2. From the Spl. CS & CCLA. AP. Lr. No. VSI(1)/726/2014, Dt. 08.01.2015.
3. G.O.Rt. No. 514, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt. 03.06.2015.
4. G.O.Ms. No.201, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt. 03.06.2015.
5. G.O.Rt. No. 515-519, Revenue (Vig.I) Dept., Dt. 03.06.2015.
6. WSDs submitted by the Charged officers.
7. G.O.Rt.No.379, Rev.(Vig. I) Dept., Dt. 01.04.2016.
8. G.O.Rt.No.1185, Rev.(Vig. I) Dept., Dt. 26.12.2016
9. E.O's Report in Rc. No. 2185/A1, dated: 06-4-2017

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ORDER

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that, the Tahsildars, Bheemunipatnam Mandal, Visakhapatnam District who worked during the period from 2000-2011 have not pursued the Hon'ble High Court case in W.P.No.11156/2000 filed by Smt. K. Ramalakshmi, W/o. Satyanarayana at any level and never filed counters at relevant period of time. In the references 1st and 2nd read above, the District Collector, Visakhapatnam and the Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., have requested the Government to initiate disciplinary action against (1) Sri D. Peddi Raju, former Tahsildar, Bhemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam (2) Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (3) Sri D. Dharma Chandra Reddy, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (4) Sri M. Venkateswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam and (5) Sri R. Prabhakara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (Retd.), for the above act.

2. Based on the reports of the District Collector, Visakhapatnam and Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP., and keeping in view of the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad, orders were issued sanctioning initiation of disciplinary action in common proceedings against (1) Sri D. Peddi Raju, former Tahsildar, Bhemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District (2) Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (3) Sri D. Dharma Chandra Reddy, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (4) Sri M. Venkateswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam and (5) Sri R. Prabhakara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (Retd.) under Rule 24 APCS(CC&A) Rules, 1991, vide reference 3rd read above. All the charged officers are submitted their written statements of defence to the charges. As the written statements of defences submitted by the Charged officers are not convincing, therefore, in the reference 7th read above, Government have issued orders appointing the Joint Collector, Visakhapatnam, as Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against the above (5) charged officers.

3. Aggrieved by the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.201, Revenue (Vig.I) Department, Dt. 03.06.2015, sanctioning to initiate disciplinary proceedings under rule 9 of APRP Rules and G.O.Rt.No.517, Revenue (Vig.I) Department, Dt.03.06.2015, contemplating disciplinary proceedings against the applicant framing the article of charges and consequently as appointing Inquiry officer vide G.O.Rt.No.379, Rev.(Vig. I) Department, Dt. 01.04.2016, Sri R. Prabhakar Rao, Special Deputy Collector (Retired) has filed OA. No. 2457/2016, before the APAT, Hyderabad. The Hon'ble APAT, on 10.08.2016, has allowed the said O.A. and quashed the charge Memo issued on him, as he has come under Rule 9 (2)(b) of APRP Rules, 1991. Accordingly, Government vide reference 8th read above, have dropped further action against Sri R. Prabhakar Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam, and now Deputy Collector (Retired), subject to recovery of loss if any caused to the Government.

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4. And whereas, in the reference 9th read above, the Inquiring Authority after conducting the enquiry has submitted the enquiry report, stating that 'though it is largely evident that no correspondence on file has happened with regard to W.P., it is the responsibility of Tahsildars to take stock of all the court cases pertaining to their jurisdiction and follow up according. Having said that however, since there is no monetary loss to Government they may be warned not to repeat such acts and be more careful in future'.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter have decided to accept the findings of the Enquiry officer. Accordingly Government hear by warn all the (4) Charged officers (1) Sri D. Peddi Raju, former Tahsildar, Bhemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District (2) Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (3) Sri D. Dharma Chandra Reddy, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam (4) Sri M. Venkateswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam, to be more careful in future, while dealing with the court cases, duly dropping further action against them.

6. The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP. Vijayawada/District Collector, Visakhapatnam shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.C.SHARMA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMEN

To
Sri D. Peddi Raju, former Tahsildar, Bhemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District.
Smt. K. Sumathi Bai, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District.
Sri D. Dharma Chandra Reddy, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District.
Sri M. Venkateswara Rao, former Tahsildar, Bheemunipatnam, Visakhapatnam District
(through the Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, AP. Gollapudi, Vijayawada)
The Special Chief Secretary & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Gollapudi, Vijayawada.

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The District Collector, Visakhapatnam.
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